



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Incident Location: 200 block of S. Maple Street. Urbana, IL.
Date/Time of Incident: 1/29/24 4:39 AM
Date/Time Information Release: 1/30/24 at 2:55 PM



URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATES SHOTS FIRED INCIDENT

On January 29, 2024, at approximately 4:49 PM, Urbana patrol officers were dispatched to the 200 block of S. Maple Street in Urbana in response to a report of shots fired.

Upon arrival at the scene, officers discovered multiple shell casings, indicative of gunfire. Further investigation revealed that an occupied residence and a vehicle had both been struck by gunfire. Despite the house being occupied at the time, no injuries were observed or reported.

The Urbana Police Department is actively working to gather all pertinent facts surrounding this incident. While initial reports indicate no injuries, the department is treating this matter with utmost seriousness, recognizing the potential danger posed to the community.

Authorities are urging anyone who may have witnessed the incident or captured relevant video footage to come forward and assist in the ongoing investigation. Public cooperation is crucial in ensuring a swift resolution to this case. "We take incidents like these very seriously, and the safety of our community is our top priority," said Lt. Mike Cervantes, spokesperson for the Urbana Police Department. "Any information, no matter how small it may seem, can play a significant role in our efforts."

The Urbana Police Department will continue to provide updates as the investigation progresses. The cooperation of the community is invaluable in maintaining a safe and secure environment for all residents.

Urbana Police ask that anyone who has additional information or video footage of the incident please contact police at 217-384-2320. Arrangements can be made for information to be shared privately. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may also submit tips to Crime Stoppers by phone at: 217-373-8477 (TIPS); online at 373tips.com; or the "P3 Tips" mobile app.

Citizens are reminded that information submitted to Crime Stoppers is completely anonymous. Calls are routed to a third-party national call center that receives your information, completes a tips information form, and then passes the information to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Caller ID tracking is not utilized by Crime Stoppers and conversations are not recorded.

Crime Stoppers will pay cash rewards of \$5,000 for tips that lead to an arrest in any homicide case, \$2,500 for tips leading to an arrest in a felony crime involving a firearm, and up to \$1,000 for tips leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for any other crime.

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